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THE PRIMARY ELECTION IS NEXT WEEK! Know Your Missouri Voting Information

Missouri's primary election is coming up on August 2nd and will determine which candidates appear on November's general election ballot for seats in the U.S. House, U.S. Senate, and the state legislature, among other races.



Essential Information:

- **Absentee voting** - Absentee voting for August 2 has begun! You can vote absentee by mail or in-person. The deadline to request an absentee ballot by mail is **Wednesday, July 20th**. You can cast an absentee ballot in-person up until **Monday, August 1st**. [Click here](#) to request an absentee ballot by mail.
- **In-person on Election Day** - Polls are open from 6:00 AM - 7:00 PM. To find your polling place, please [click here](#).
- **NCJWSTL has not taken a position on any of the August 2nd ballot initiatives**. However, if you are looking for more information on them, please [click here](#) for St. Louis County or [here](#) for St. Louis City.

If you have any further questions about voting, please [click here](#). If you have any problems voting either absentee or on Election Day, please call 1-866-OUR-VOTE.

Urge Senators Blunt and Hawley to Support the Respect for Marriage Act



Two weeks ago, the House easily passed the [Respect for Marriage Act](#) — a bill establishing federal protections for same-sex marriage in a bipartisan accomplishment that would have been unimaginable just a few years ago.

The bill would repeal the 1996 Defense of Marriage Act, which previously defined marriage as a legal union between a man and a woman, and it would **guarantee recognition of same-sex marriages and interracial marriages under federal law**. This vote was important

to enshrine federal protections in the wake of the Supreme Court's decision to overturn

Roe v. Wade and Justice Clarence Thomas's statement that other rights, like same-sex marriage, could be considered next.

Now it's time to urge the Senate to do something. Although it's important to contact both of Missouri's Senators to urge them to vote YES on the Respect for Marriage Act, NCJWSTL believes that Senator Blunt can be convinced to vote yes if and when the bill is introduced. Please call them at the numbers below TODAY.

Senator Roy Blunt: 202.224.5721

Senator Josh Hawley: 202.224.6154

August Lunch & Learn: A History of Journalism in St. Louis with St. Louis Public Radio's Bill Freivogel



Thursday, August 18, 2022
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM CT

Lunch and Learn:
The History of Journalism in St. Louis
with STLPR's Bill Freivogel

When: Thursday, August 18 | 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM CT

Where: Zoom

[RSVP Here](#)

St. Louis has a rich history of journalism that most of us tend not to think about when we are watching the weather forecast or listening to our favorite radio station. We may be familiar with Joseph Pulitzer a Hungarian Jewish immigrant who founded the St. Louis Post Dispatch, paved the way for newspapers across the country and used his influence to advocate on behalf of immigrants. But there has to be more, right?

To help us learn about the history of journalism in St. Louis, NCJWSTL is excited to welcome Bill Freivogel, professor in the Southern Illinois University School of Journalism, contributor to St. Louis Public Radio and publisher of the Gateway Journalism Review. Previously, he was director of the journalism school. Before SIU, Freivogel worked 34 years at the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, where he was assistant Washington bureau chief and deputy editorial editor.

Please [click here](#) to register for the July Lunch and Learn. Questions? Email Jen Bernstein at jbernstein@ncjwstl.org or call (314) 993.5181

Save the Date: NCJW and League of Women Voters Town Hall



When: Thursday, August 18 | Time TBD

Where: Zoom

RSVP and other details coming soon



Two historic women's organizations join forces for a critical town hall about the 2022 Midterm Elections.

Join Sheila Katz, CEO of National Council of Jewish Women and Virginia Kase Solomón, CEO of League of Women Voters for a virtual Town Hall to get informed and excited about the voting landscape this year.

More details to come!

Take Action & Join the A-List



Now more than ever you will want to make sure that your name is on NCJWSTL's A-List for 2022! Join us as we stand together and speak out about the issues that matter most.

Together we can make a difference!

A-List sponsorship ads sustain our collaborative efforts to educate the community and elected officials about issues integral to our mission. The full-page ads will run in the St. Louis Jewish Light during 2022.

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Interesting Reading



Abortions that occur after 21 weeks gestation are increasingly rare, accounting for about one percent of all abortions nationwide. The doctors who perform abortions later in pregnancy are even rarer: The 2013 documentary *After Tiller* cited just four doctors in the United States who performed abortions in the third trimester.

One of them is Dr. Warren Hern. He has operated in Boulder, Colorado, for decades, despite a constant onslaught of violence and harassment.

[Click here](#) to read Abigail Weinberg's article from *Mother Jones*, "*Women Are Going to Die: A Late Abortion Doctor on the Dangers of Post-Roe America.*"

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